

SCHOOL BOARD SUSTAINED

A very important question, which during the past several years, has on a number of occasions puzzled the local School Board, has been definitely and quite justly decided for the local authorities by the State Department of Health in a communication recently received by Borough Superintendent Gory from the office of Commissioner of Health, Samuel G. Dixon, M. D.

The point upon which the opinion was rendered was, to use the words of Mr. Gory's letter, whether or not "pupils who leave home just before the development of a contagious disease, for the purpose of attending school, must remain away 30 days following the fumigation of the house."

This point is not definitely covered by the school laws, and frequent demands have been made by parents, especially of late, that their children be allowed to attend the public schools when they have returned to their homes within the 30 days after fumigation.

At the last meeting of the Board on January 8th, it was decided not to allow pupils to attend school during the 30 days following fumigation. Vigorous exceptions were taken to this ruling, the claim being made that children should be allowed to return home immediately after the fumigation, and attend school from there. As a consequence Superintendent Gory was directed to get the opinion of the State Department of Health.

In reply to Mr. Gory's letter of query the following communication has been received from Harrisburg:

Mr. U. L. Gory, Supt.
Danville Public Schools,
Danville, Pa.

Dear Sir—Your esteemed favor of the 15th inst., relative to school exclusions in contagious diseases is received with thanks.

Your attitude in refusing admission to school of pupils who would return to recently infected houses prior to the lapse of 30 days after disinfection of the premises is entirely satisfactory. It is hard to conceive the motive of pupils leaving home just before the development of a contagious disease in a family, for with the presence of symptoms that are suggestive of disease to the householders it is not obvious that the members of that household had been exposed to the infection? Having been exposed they should not leave home or be permitted to leave home prior to the expiration of the period of quarantine and as the law requires, not to attend school prior to the expiration of the thirty days after the recovery of the patient and the disinfection of the premises.

Thanking you for your interest in the matter I beg to remain, etc.,
FRED. C. JOHNSON,
Chief Medical Inspector.

WORK FOR BOARD OF TRADE

The organization of an Industrial and Improvement Company among the residents of the South Side has suggested the question whether a little activity among the members of the Board of Trade in Danville might not serve to show that that organization is still alive and help to promote the business interest of the town and community.

That a Board of Trade exists in Danville might not be known to many persons. When a meeting was held last year it was not clear but certain it is that very little has been heard from the organization in the way of steady organized effort for a year or more past. Meanwhile the need of activity to take care of our old industries and add new ones is as urgent as it ever was.

Obviously the advantages for manufacturers in Danville are so numerous and varied that the proposition of landing new industries should not be a difficult one for an active Board of Trade to handle. The Knitting Mills and the Silk Mill, both large and important industries operated on a paying basis—their small beginning, the rapid growth and the promising future of each—illustrate that conditions around here favorable for the success and development of all such enterprises.

The Board of Trade following its re-organization some two years ago held regular meetings for several months. The members are, for the most part, active and most influential citizens. They are capable of accomplishing much good and it must be admitted that during their brief, though aggressive campaign, they brought about appreciable results, quite apparent in renewed enterprise and the promotion of business interests.

The field was carefully looked over in the quest for new industries and thus the town was kept in touch with opportunity, such as existed. Small industries were set on their feet and the welfare of older ones was carefully looked after. Time has brought no change in the short interval and the same conditions which made the Board of Trade useful in the past still exist today.

There is still plenty of room for new industries in Danville while there never is a time that established industries do not need looking after. Not one of these for any reason should be permitted to close. It is the Board of Trade alone that can keep in touch with the situation as it relates to each industry and work for the general welfare.

It is hoped, therefore, that we shall hear of a meeting in a short time, as there are rumors of changes affecting one or more of our industries, that would seem to indicate that their future is uncertain.

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFICERS MEET

Representatives of Five Counties at Wilkes-Barre—Rev. C. D. Lerch From Montour.

An interesting conference of the county officers of the Pennsylvania State Sabbath School Association was held yesterday in the lecture room of the Y. M. C. A. at Wilkes-Barre, including Monroe, Luzerne, Lackawanna, Wyoming, Columbia and Montour counties.

Yesterday morning discussions were held on the following subjects: County organization—The executive committee organization, finances departmental work. District organization—Its value. The best plan, county advertising the convention, conducting a convention, what? Adjournment followed the benediction pronounced by Dr. Mogg.

Among those present were: J. A. Boyd, president Luzerne Association; W. D. Lathrop, of Lackawanna; Rev. C. D. Lerch, of Montour; W. B. Easton, of Monroe; A. M. Spear, of Columbia; W. H. Swartwood, of Wyoming; Dr. Langfield, secretary of Philadelphia, State Secretary; W. G. Lundy, State Secretary; Dr. C. E. Mogg, Mrs. Gregory, Garrett Smith, D. S. Boidleman, Dr. Kerr, C. H. Carl, of Pittston.

AGRICULTURISTS MEETING

State Board Met Yesterday at Harrisburg—Welcomed by Secretary Critchfield.

The twenty-ninth annual meeting of the Pennsylvania State Board of Agriculture convened in the House caucus room at the capitol at Harrisburg yesterday morning with a fair attendance.

An address of welcome was made by Secretary Critchfield in the absence of Governor Pennypacker, and credentials were received from the delegates.

Reports were received from Professor W. A. Buckout, botanist of State College; Dr. J. H. Funk, pomologist, of Boyertown, and J. F. Boyer, of Freeburg, of the Committee on Fruit and Fruit Culture. Live stock, bee culture, sanitation, good roads, wool and textile fabrics were discussed yesterday afternoon. A session was held last evening at which distinguished specialists spoke and read papers, among them being Professor Shaw, of the University of Minnesota.

The local ice dealers have about despaired of being able to gather a harvest of ice from the usual home sources. There has been no freezing weather for a week or ten days past. The ice, which was at no time thick enough to harvest with profit, during the recent warm spell, has wasted a way considerably and the present outlook for a good crop or for ice worth cutting at all is very poor indeed.

Our local dealers are now generally looking toward the Pocono Mountains, which proves a never-failing source of ice, even in the mildest of winters. A. M. Peters has just received a car load of the Pocono product, which is fourteen inches thick. Whether he will be obliged to fill his ice houses with Pocono ice or not is uncertain, but it is a source that he is glad to hold in reserve.

A. L. Delecamp will always have a car load or so of Pocono ice on hand at the old Salvation Army barracks, but he will supply his trade by regular shipments from the mountains kept up during the year.

A ROSE BUSH IN LEAVES

A Real Curiosity Owned by Banker George M. Gearhart.

George M. Gearhart, the banker, has a real curiosity in his lawn in the form of a large rose bush, all out in leaves. The rose bush, which is of the Crimson Rambler variety, began to bud about a week ago. The buds readily burst under the influence of the warm sun of Sunday and during the two days following the foliage developed finely. Yesterday the large bush was green with leaves.

Mr. Gearhart is of the opinion that the weather will be uniformly mild at least, until after "moon day" and expects to see his rose bush continue to grow. He is not looking forward to a crop of winter roses, however.

Entertained D. W. E. Club.

Miss Nell Snyder entertained the D. W. E. Club at her home on Grand street Monday evening. The evening was spent with cards and music, after which refreshments were served.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. John Barry of Sunbury; Mr. Oswald, of Philadelphia; C. J. Stewart, of Elizabeth, New Jersey; and from Danville, Misses Cornea Prout, Bessie Seidel, Mary Smith, Jane Knorr, Estella Wertman, Maude Seidel, Goldie Johnson, Beulah Mills; Messrs. Roy Smith, Harry Camp, Fred Lewis, John Thompson, Thomas Pritchard, Clyde Snyder and Edward Fallah.

Aged Lady's Bad Fall.

Mrs. Tamar Gardner, who resides at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Charles Nuss, South Danville, sustained a bad fall last Wednesday, and although no bones are broken, Mrs. Gardner's condition is very critical. She is 84 years of age.

TWO KILLED AT SELINGSGROVE

A most distressing accident occurred near Selingsgrove, Sunday evening about 7 o'clock when Miss Mary Cornwall, of Sunbury, formerly of Danville, and Murray Heider, of Selingsgrove, were struck by an engine while walking across the Pennsylvania railroad bridge at Selingsgrove and instantly killed.

Miss Cornwall had been spending Sunday with Miss Bertha Jarret at Selingsgrove, and was to return to Sunbury Sunday night.

As no passenger trains are run by the way of Selingsgrove on Sundays it was necessary to walk across the railroad bridge in order to catch the train for Sunbury at Selingsgrove Junction. Accordingly Miss Cornwall and Miss Jarret accompanied by Murray Heider and Cleveland Kratzer of Selingsgrove, started to walk to Selingsgrove Junction.

When the party arrived at the last span of the bridge they heard a train coming in the rear of them and Miss Jarret and Mr. Kratzer stepped from the bridge to the pier, a place of safety. Miss Cornwall and Heider believing that they could reach the other side before the train arrived continued on and had just about reached the middle of the span when an engine, car and caboose came bearing down upon them running at the rate of fifteen miles an hour.

It is the general belief that the engine came in such a swift and sudden manner that both were terror-stricken and before they could make an effort to save themselves were struck and killed.

Several minutes after the train passed when Harry Loutz, the operator at Selingsgrove Junction, formerly of Sunbury, was walking to Selingsgrove he discovered the bodies on the bridge, both horribly mutilated. The boy had both legs almost completely severed from the body and his head was so badly crushed that the features were unrecognizable. Miss Cornwall was also terribly injured, both legs and one arm broken and partly severed from the body and crushed about the chest. The lower part of her face was also badly bruised but she could easily be identified. The body of young Heider was taken to his home at Selingsgrove, while the remains of Miss Cornwall were placed on the passenger train and taken to Sunbury and thence to the undertaking parlors of Ives and Hartman to be prepared for burial.

Mary Cornwall was aged 23 years, 5 months and 24 days, and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cornwall, both now deceased. She is survived by one brother and two sisters, Mrs. Charles M. Stack, of Parkton, Maryland, and Mrs. Isaac Leiser and Bert Cornwall, both of Sunbury.

Miss Cornwall formerly lived in this city, being employed until last June in the laundry at the Hospital. Prior to being at the Hospital she was employed at the City Hotel.

The deceased was a member of the East End Mission while in this city. Murray Heider had lived until next week would have been 15 years of age. His father is dead and his stepfather, Howard H. Klinger, is a well-known resident of Selingsgrove.

RIVERSIDE'S OPPORTUNITY

Riverside is looking forward to some thing akin to a boom and it must be admitted that things were never more favorable for a growth in population and a corresponding increase in market values on the South Side. The Danville and Sunbury Street Railway has created the opportunity. The spirit and the enterprise is there; the citizens are alert and will take advantage of said opportunity. No big results are ever achieved without organization. Therefore our neighbors on the South Side have formed the Riverside Industrial and Development Company capitalized at \$20,000. The prime movers in the enterprise are: Eli Hoover, W. T. Shepperson, W. R. Clark and Dr. A. T. DeWitt. Stock is fixed at \$1 per share and as soon as the full amount of capital stock is subscribed a permanent organization will be effected, the above named gentlemen becoming the first board of directors. A. B. Pitzer is acting as solicitor for stock for the new company.

The first object of the Industrial and Development Company will be to purchase the Van Nostrand farm and cut it up into city lots, fifty feet by one hundred and fifty feet. The Danville and Sunbury Street Railway runs along one side of the farm and it is held that no finer building sites on the South Side will be found than are included in the Van Nostrand farm.

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MUST NAME SPECIFIC TERM

For Which Respective Candidates for Supervisors are Nominated.

Considerable trouble is being caused in many parts of the State under the new township road law by the fact that many of the township caucuses fail to designate the term for which the new supervisors are nominated. Under the law there are three to be elected, one for one year, one for two years, and one for three years. The nomination is not legal unless the term of the office for which the nomination is named is noted with the name of the candidate. This is governed by the present laws, and occurs likewise when school directors, councilmen and other such officers are to be elected for full or unexpired terms. A correspondent writes to know how the law is to be clearly carried out, suggesting that three men nominated for short terms might have the highest number of votes, and thus have none elected for the full term of three years. This is easily explained in the light of the above statements. When a man is nominated for supervisor, he must be nominated, if at all, for one of the three terms—one, two, or three years, and it must be definitely stated. Once nominated for a one-year term, he cannot be elected to the office for any other term at that election. For instance, a man nominated for a one-year term might secure more votes than any of the three-year or two-year nominees, yet fail of election in case he did not get more votes than the other one-year nominees.

In cases where nominations have been made and the term of the nominees for supervisor have not been given, the papers are returned to the officers that the terms may be set out.

Train Boy Eliminated.

The newsboy on the train who tries to sell you newspapers, fruit, confectionery, magazines and all sorts of novelties and gimcracks is now but a memory. Long ago he was eliminated from the main line of the Pennsylvania railroad, and now its two principal feeders, the Philadelphia and Erie and the Northern Central, have given the newsboy the train agent's must go, and he made his last trip Saturday night as far north as Erie, on the P. & E., and Canandaigua on the Northern Central, and as far South as Baltimore on the Northern Central.

No more will the resonant crying of his wares be heard on the fast flyers, the mails, the expresses and the locals. His shrill voice will no longer cry out a warning to the passengers that he is coming with "Mo'nin' paper! All the latest maggyzeens! Fresh Figs! Fine confectionery and high seatin' apple!" The latter presumably "nice eating apples."

On Saturday night as each man passed through the head quarters city he was informed that after Sunday evening his services would no longer be required. To some it was a stunning blow, for they have grown gray in the service, and do not know where to look for employment. There was not a hint that the blow was about to fall. They were simply told that they were no longer wanted.

Among those who felt the axe were "Sandwich Jimmy" Kelly, a train news agent for thirty-five years, first in the employ of Riley & Sargent and then with the Union News Company, which controls the privilege of selling at stations and hereafter on trains.

It is said that the abolition of the free passes is directly responsible for the abolition of the train agent. The latter was not a railroad employe and the news company was notified that it must pay fare for him. That was something that caused a monetary loss to the news company, and the result was that the news agents had to go. It is sad! In time he was a king of the train and bossed the conductor. He goes with the free pass.

Entertained Party From Sunbury

Miss Susie Bennett entertained at her home in Rushtown, Friday evening a party from Sunbury. Music and games were indulged in and refreshments were served. Those present were: Misses Faye Strone, Nelle Markle, Elizabeth Attie, Rose Neidig, Glendora Feaster, Ivy Ruttharf and Pauline Rishel, Messrs. William Lynn, William Drunkemiller, Harry Hoffman, William Linker, Bruce Blooming, and Benjamin Mautz. Those from Rushtown were Bertha Moore, Frank Hartline, Bruce Moore, Harold Bassett and Jerry Bassett.

Governor to be Invited.

Wilkes-Barre will invite Governor Pennypacker and Adjutant General Stewart to attend its centennial celebration.

Col. Dougherty, chairman of the Military Committee, expects to have the 3,000 soldiers in line on the day the military organizations are to parade.

The Wilkes-Barre Gas & Electric Light Co. has offered to furnish all the electric current necessary for the illumination of the city during the celebration free of charge.

School Superintendents.

The third annual meeting of the County School Superintendents of Pennsylvania will be held again this year in the assembly room of the Harrisburg High School on February 7th, and an excellent program has been prepared by Professor George W. Moore, of Chester county, secretary of the State Educational Society.

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DIED FOR THE GIRL HE LOVED

Young Murray Heider Sacrificed Life in Effort to Save His Sweetheart.

A sad feature has developed in the case of Mary Cornwall, of Sunbury, and Murray Heider, of Selingsgrove, who were killed by a freight train Sunday night while attempting to cross the Pennsylvania Railroad bridge in order to catch a northbound train at Selingsgrove Junction.

It has been learned that the young man could have escaped death, but that while trying to save his betrothed, he was killed with her. It is believed that Heider had reached the other side of the track safely, when, seeing his fiancée's danger, he went to her rescue, and was killed with her.

Lincoln Literary Society.

At a meeting of the Lincoln Literary Society held on Friday afternoon in the High School room the following program was rendered:

Piano Solo—"When the Lights are Low," Miss Sidler.

Recitation—"Bene and the Spider," Miss McClung.

Reading—"Rome Wasn't Built in a Day," Mr. Raymond Johns.

Declaration—"Education," Mr. Vincent Evans.

Debate—"Question: 'Resolved, That wealth causes more crimes than poverty.' Affirmative, Mr. Bruce Moore, Miss Lucy Bassett, Negative, Mr. Leroy Moyer, Miss Esther Magill, The Judges, Mr. Lovett, Miss Shepperson and Miss Blue, decided in favor of negative.

Selection by five girls.

Essay—"Description of a Farm in Gearhart Township," Miss Bertha Moore.

Reading—"The Pacing Mustang," Miss Frick.

Report of critic.

The Godcharles Senatorial Bill.

The Harrisburg Independent says: Senator Godcharles, of Northumberland county, has prepared a senatorial appointment bill, which has not yet been made public, in which he makes compact and contiguous districts without cutting into any of the counties.

There is a strong disposition on the part of a number of senators to oppose the senatorial appointment bill prepared by Governor Pennypacker, and introduced by Senator Roberts, and before the governor's bill gets by the senate—if it ever does—it will meet with lots of hard knocks. Already the Democrats of Berks county have taken measures to prevent a part of the county from being attached to Chester to form a district, and the Berks county Democratic committee is taking measures to contest the constitutionality of such a bill in the courts, announcing that they will go clear up to the higher courts if necessary.

Surprise Party.

A pleasant surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Hartline, Monday evening, in honor of their son, Frank's 16th birthday. The time was whittled away with games and music.

Those present were: Florence Blecher, Viola Penn, Flora Kasner, Vera Morrison, Dora Morrison, Eva Manning, Florence Hartline, Mary Hartline, Pauline Rishel, of Sunbury, and Susie Bassett and Bertha Moore of South Danville, Messrs. Roy Fern, Walter Dell, John Dell, Frank Kasner, Calvin Kasner, Clark Blecher, Norman Krum, Fred Diehl, William Lochner, Harold Cotner, Clarence Coaker, Steward Hartman, Harold Bassett and Bruce Moore of South Danville.

Election of Supervisors.

In some townships a wrong impression prevails concerning the new supervisors law. Some people erroneously maintain that two supervisors will be elected under the old laws unless the township votes to change to a money tax. The people are wrong. Three supervisors must be elected in February, whether you retain the old work and money tax or whether you vote to change to a money tax. You have no choice in this matter. That law is mandatory and you must elect three supervisors.

Fire at Mt. Carmel.

A row of five dwelling houses were destroyed by fire at Mt. Carmel on Monday night. The blaze was discovered about 8 o'clock, the origin is unknown. The loss is \$2500, partly covered by insurance. The Mt. Carmel House, which adjoins the dwellings, was damaged to the extent of \$3000.

BLASTING CAUSES RUNAWAY

A horse attached to J. B. Cleaver's delivery wagon took fright at the sound of blasting at the Bessemer blast furnace on Saturday and managed to separate himself from the vehicle in record-breaking time.

The wagon was on Railroad street just opposite the wide gateway leading into the Structural Tubing Works, when an unusually loud blast occurred, which struck the beast with terror. The driver was unsuspecting and the horse crouching first, gave a spring with such force and suddenness as to rip the harness asunder and to clear the shafts, at a single bound, after which in his fright he went galloping out Railroad street at dondriest the best rate of speed he ever attained.

The mud on Railroad street at the Structural Tubing Works Saturday was something fearful to contemplate, a black slough more the consistency of water than mud, which like a bed of mortar lay between the two sidewalks. Stranded in the midst of this was the delivery wagon with the driver still sitting on the seat watching the retreating horse with the broken harness like so many ribbons fluttering around him and the mud flying right and left.

The whole thing occurred in a moment and it was some time before the driver could take in the situation; then he climbed down out of the wagon into the mud, which was over ankle deep. Meanwhile the horse caught near the clock factory.

The swingle tree of the delivery wagon was broken and it was not until after a good deal of delay and much wading around in the mud that the horse was retrieved and the wagon drawn from the spot.

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Limestone township—George O. Wagner.
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West Hemlock township—Hiram C. Sander, W. Park Moore.

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Washingtonville—Henry S. Moser.

A Hunters Good Memory.

A little group of old timers, kindred spirits, who love to dwell on the past, were seated in M. H. Schram's store the other evening. As usual their thoughts ran back over by-gone days. Many curious stories were told. One of these was caught on the fly by a News scribe and in an abbreviated form is here presented as a sample of all the others.

Oscar Mellin had the floor and he related an odd circumstance to illustrate how an unflinching memory may be relied upon to help one out in many an emergency. It was sixteen years ago, Oscar said, he was out hunting on the other side of the river. While tramping through one of the hollows below Kipp's Run he discovered to his horror that he had lost his tobacco. In the successful pursuit of game with Oscar plenty of tobacco was as essential as powder and shot for the fowling piece.

The man was thinking seriously of giving up the hunt when he heard a farmer ploughing in one of the fields nearby. He made his way out of the brush and approaching the farmer made his plight known. Now, no matter what kind of a man a tobacco chewer may be he is always liberal—with his tobacco. The farmer had a large plug, which he handed to Oscar. The latter bit off a good mouthful and before returning the tobacco offered to buy the whole plug. There was no store near and the farmer could no more plough without tobacco than Oscar could shoot squirrels without it; under the circumstance the weed was as dear to the agriculturist as it was to Oscar and money was no price.

The best that Oscar could do was to economize his mouthful of tobacco and pursue game as long as it lasted. For awhile he had good luck, then as all the stimulating qualities became extracted from the mouthful of tobacco he lost his cunning and no more game came his way.

He gave up finally and decided to go home. Tramping along toward town he came to Alem Seidler's hollow at Kipp's Run. Here Oscar's good memory came to his rescue. The sight of the familiar hollow reminded him of another hunting excursion nine years before when he was accompanied by half a dozen or more companions. He remembered that the party partook of a lunch in the hollow—at a point where one of the sides of the glen was formed of a solid wall of rock which leaned inward over the creek forming a shelter. What Oscar recalled with especial interest was the fact that after the lunch the party being suddenly called to the hunt threw away their cigars, none of which were much more than half smoked. Oscar, who was always economically inclined, did not like to see the waste and merely as a whim gathered up the half-smoked cigars from the ground and securely tucked them away in a cleft of the overhanging rock where they were high and dry. He thought nothing more about them until he recalled the episode on the second hunting trip.

What if the cigars still remained in their hiding place? It took him only a minute to find out. A brief search revealed the exact spot where the party had eaten lunch. The overhanging rock was there and there, too, was the cleft. Oscar inserted his hand and a good luck would have it there were the cigars, or fragments of cigars, just as they were deposited there nine years before.

Oscar didn't go home—not right away. He continued his hunt, tramping up and down the hollow and over the fields on each side. Meanwhile he chewed the cigars, which with age had increased wonderfully in potency and flavor so that the game bag that Oscar carried was not large enough to hold all the game that fell under his hunting aim that day.

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The man was thinking seriously of giving up the hunt when he heard a farmer ploughing in one of the fields nearby. He made his way out of the brush and approaching the farmer made his plight known. Now, no matter what kind of a man a tobacco chewer may be he is always liberal—with his tobacco. The farmer had a large plug, which he handed to Oscar. The latter bit off a good mouthful and before returning the tobacco offered to buy the whole plug. There was no store near and the farmer could no more plough without tobacco than Oscar could shoot squirrels without it; under the circumstance the weed was as dear to the agriculturist as it was to Oscar and money was no price.

The best that Oscar could do was to economize his mouthful of tobacco and pursue game as long as it lasted. For awhile he had good luck, then as all the stimulating qualities became extracted from the mouthful of tobacco he lost his cunning and no more game came his way.

He gave up finally and decided to go home. Tramping along toward town he came to Alem Seidler's hollow at Kipp's Run. Here Oscar's good memory came to his rescue. The sight of the familiar hollow reminded him of another hunting excursion nine years before when he was accompanied by half a dozen or more companions. He remembered that the party partook of a lunch in the hollow—at a point where one of the sides of the glen was formed of a solid wall of rock which leaned inward over the creek forming a shelter. What Oscar recalled with especial interest was the fact that after the lunch the party being suddenly called to the hunt threw away their cigars, none of which were much more than half smoked. Oscar, who was always economically inclined, did not like to see the waste and merely as a whim gathered up the half-smoked cigars from the ground and securely tucked them away in a cleft of the overhanging rock where they were high and dry. He thought nothing more about them until he recalled the episode on the second hunting trip.

What if the cigars still remained in their hiding place? It took him only a minute to find out. A brief search revealed the exact spot where the party had eaten lunch. The overhanging rock was there and there, too, was the cleft. Oscar inserted his hand and a good luck would have it there were the cigars, or fragments of cigars, just as they were deposited there nine years before.

Oscar didn't go home—not right away. He continued his hunt, tramping up and down the hollow and over the fields on each side. Meanwhile he chewed the cigars, which with age had increased wonderfully in potency and flavor so that the game bag that Oscar carried was not large enough to hold all the game that fell under his hunting aim that day.

Fire at Mt. Carmel.

A row of five dwelling houses were destroyed by fire at Mt. Carmel on Monday night. The blaze was discovered about 8 o'clock, the origin is unknown. The loss is \$2500, partly covered by insurance. The Mt. Carmel House, which adjoins the dwellings, was damaged to the extent of \$3000.

ALL LICENSES ARE GRANTED

Applications for licenses in the county covering hotels, restaurants, breweries and wholesale liquor stores were passed upon by Court Friday and without any exception were granted. There was little formality or delay about it. Court convened at 10 o'clock with His Honor Judge Little and Associates Bile and Wagner on the bench; it was only a few minutes after 11 o'clock when all business was disposed of and Court arose.

The batch of forty applications were handed to the court, who in answer to a question were informed that no remonstrances had been presented and that each application as required by law was represented by an attorney. The Court read over the list later making the announcement that each application would be granted as read subject to approval of bond.

Judge Little explained that the recent order of court fixing the hour of opening and closing the drinking places of the county had caused some dissatisfaction, in certain directions, especially among the employes of the rolling mills and he was of the opinion that it might have to be modified somewhat. He suggested that the Associates appoint a committee who should investigate conditions and at the next term of Court make a report as to their views in the premises.

His Honor left the bench and returning in a few minutes with apparently different views as to the procedure announced that the Order of Court heretofore relating to the opening and closing of the drinking places would be modified and that hereafter the hour of opening would be at 4 a. m. instead of at 6 a. m., while the hour of closing would remain according to the order, 12 o'clock, midnight.

The above modification of Judge Staples' order pretty generally meets the approval of the hotel keepers. There are still some who do not like the idea of closing at 12 o'clock, claiming that it is impracticable and causes embarrassment when sleighing parties and the like are entertained as is pretty sure to happen during the winter season. These functions do not always break up at midnight, yet at 12 o'clock the landlord is obliged to close his bar.

To Protect the Quail.

The thorough restocking of game covers is urged in a report issued by the Department of Agriculture on "game conditions in January."

Now that the hunting season is practically over, the report says, the Biological Survey suggests that efforts be directed towards insuring more effective protection of game and an adequate supply for the future. Owing to the non-migratory character of quail and the consequent depletion of various localities where hunting has been excessive, or the birds have been killed off by the severity of the past two winters, restocking is frequently necessary; but the demand for live birds for this purpose far exceeds the available supply. The difficulty is augmented by the fact that southern birds are scarcely hardy enough to stand northern winters, and it is difficult for northern States to secure birds suited to the climate. The game commissioners of some States, particularly Massachusetts and New Jersey for several years past have endeavored to obtain a supply of quail, but have been only partially successful.

Perceiving that absence of food and shelter is the principal cause of mortality, State officials, game associations and many private individuals have united in attempting to make good these deficiencies. Grain and other food have been distributed freely and systematically after heavy snow falls, when the usual food is covered, and suitable shelter has been provided.

P. B. Heddens' Birthday.

Phineas B. Heddens, of Bloomsburg, celebrated his 71st birthday Sunday by entertaining a large number of his friends and relatives at a sumptuous turkey dinner. Among those present were the following from Danville and vicinity: Mrs. Fanny Heddens, Mr. and Mrs. Amanda L. Heddens, daughter Izora and son Lawrence and Thomas Kerswell, Esq. of Washingtonville; Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Heddens and two children, William M. Heddens and daughter Beulah, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Heddens and daughter and Arthur Heddens, of this city.

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